



INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP MAJOR INITIATIVE AWARDS 2011

• [Israeli/American Resilience Project: Enhancing Resilience Following Trauma](#)

School of Allied Health Professions

Hadassah Medical Center

School of Medicine

\$30,462

Dr. Carolyn Hawley

Research examining the resilience and quality of life of subjects injured in politically motivated violence; the exchange of knowledge between researchers and students to facilitate its application across schools and institutions.

• [VCU-BFSU 2+2 Program](#)

School of Business

Beijing Foreign Studies University

Dr. Weiyong Zhang

\$7,500

Establishing a permanent faculty exchange between the VCU School of Business and the BFSU International Business School; an annual faculty research seminar series; a VCU student summer study program; and a VCU-BFSU Business School "2+2 program" to recruit high quality, degree-seeking Chinese students to study at VCU's School of Business.

• [International Partnership Program with the University of Messina](#)

School of Dentistry

University of Messina

Dr. Bhavna Shroff

\$24,083

Evidence-based didactic exchanges and case-based instructions to introduce faculty and students at UniMe to the current state of the art of U.S. orthodontic practices. Research includes clinical trials and evaluation methods. Regular seminars and case discussions via videoconferencing will provide a world-class experience and result in publications and increased international recognition.

• [Enhanced Curriculum In Internationalization Through Collaborative Projects Between VCU And IIT-KGP](#)

School of Engineering

Indian Institute of Technology-Kharagpur

Dr. Jim McLeskey

\$25,000

Collaborative senior design projects between students and faculty at VCU and IIT-K and initiating contact between faculty members that will ultimately lead into collaborative research projects. Another important expected outcome is the potential for projects to directly benefit underprivileged communities with potential for broader global impact.

• [The Journey is the Destination: Humanity's Enduring Quest for Meaning](#)

Honors College

University of the West of England

Dr. Timothy Hulsey

\$28,000

A comprehensive, integrated year-long course of study for selected undergraduates followed by a mid-summer immersion course at the University of the West of England (UWE). The faculty member selected to teach the course at home and in Bristol explores research collaborations with UWE colleagues. Alumni and friends gain first-hand knowledge of the value of the program by attending seminars and traveling to Bristol for a portion of the course.

• [Transatlantic Studies Initiative](#)

College of Humanities and Sciences

University of the West of England

Dr. Catherine Ingrassia

\$21,900

An undergraduate concentration in Transatlantic Studies, a Transatlantic Summer Research Initiative engaging students in collaborative research projects with faculty, and a summer program in Bristol for undergraduate and graduate students.

• [Internationalizing the Wilder School Annual Student Research Conference](#)

College of Humanities and Sciences

Curtin U, Fudan U, Moscow State U, St. Petersburg State U

Dr. Judyth Twigg

U of Córdoba, U of Kwazulu-Natal, U of São Paulo

\$23,000

Incorporate students and faculty from several International Partnership Universities in the Wilder School student conference including workshops and site visits to enhance collaborations.

• [VCU Global Program in Infection Control](#)

School of Medicine

University of Messina, University of the West of England

Dr. Richard Wenzel

\$25,422

An educational program on infection control for undergraduate and graduate students in hospitals, Schools of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy and Public Health. Telemedicine lectures and webinars to review success and encourage research collaborations between students and faculty.